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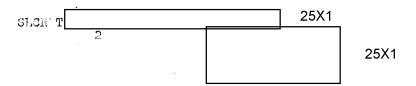
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Coswig (N 52/F 27) - Heissen - Doobeln (N 52/K 79) Grossbothen (N 52/K 59) - Leipzig (N 52/E 21) trunk line,
which is now single-track. See Annex 2 for photograph of
the bridge. The bridge is of considerable importance for
rail operation in the Saxon industrial area although there
are re-routing facilities via Riesa (N 52/E 31) and Freiberg (N 51/K 97). In late April 1945 the bridge was blasted
and superstructures 3a, b, c, and 4a, b, c were heavily
damaged. For diagram of bridge, see Annex 1. The damaged
superstructures were raised and reassembled, an operation
requiring relatively little new material. Rail operations
on one track were resumed on 24 November 1945. The repair
of the superstructures for the second track was completed
in October 1946. However, superstructures 3b and 4b cannot
yet be used because they are still only partially secured.
In the event that the railroad line crossing the bridge is
to be operated again as a double-track line, the remaining
work can be performed very quickly. The sidewalk of the
bridge, 3 meters wide, is usable. The water depth at the
bridge is 1½ meters at mean wa er, 10 meters at high water.
The river is normally 110 meters wide under bridge and the
river bottom and banks are rocky. No data are available on
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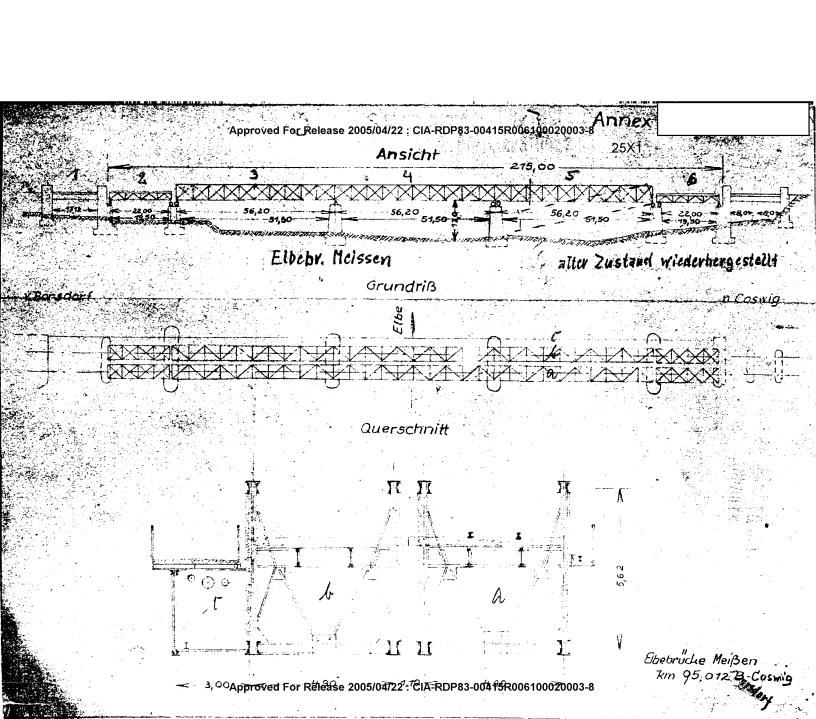
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other field fortifications do not exist at or near the bridge. The bridge can carry N type freight trains which have an axle pressure of 25 tons.

2 Annexes : 1. 1 photograph of bridge
2. 1 photostated diagram of bridge



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